

OFFICIAL MINUTES
GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2015- 5:30 P.M.
MEDIA CENTER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Amber Christensen, President presiding.

Roll Call was taken by District Clerk:

Members Present: Amber Christensen, President; Dean McKnight, Vice-Pres.; Fred Grusendorf, Josh Shannon, Pat Johnson, Amy Werner

Members Absent: Tim Hand

District Personnel Present: Brian Schmitt, Superintendent; Brian Edmister, Principal; Erin Ostrander, District Treasurer; Penny Miller, District Clerk

Staff Members: Sara Donlon, Paul Abdo, Carol McCarville, Lyn VanTassel

Guests: 4 students

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Presentations to the Board:

- Lindsay Montague & Drama students, gave a brief presentation on Annie production at approximately 6:20 p.m. in the auditorium.

Persons to Address the Board:

- Sara Donlon, Paul Abdo & students requested permission to hold the Prom in the 4-H building at Fairgrounds on Saturday, June 6. The Board approved this request.

APPROVE MINUTES: Motion made by Amy Werner, seconded by Pat Johnson - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the Board of Education minutes of the Regular Board Meeting dated March 23, 2015 as submitted.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Brian Schmitt and Erin Ostrander reviewed the 2015-16 School Year Budget with a power point presentation and discussion following. The revenues and expenses were reviewed in detail. It was noted that special education costs have increased significantly and administrators still need to cut \$24,000 out of the budget to keep it under the property tax cap. It was noted that there are positions eliminated but one vacant teacher assistant position will not be filled.

ACCEPT TREASURER'S REPORTS: Motion made by Josh Shannon, seconded by Pat Johnson - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School accepts the following Treasurer's Reports as submitted: Capital Fund 3/1-3/31/15, Scholarship Fund 3/1-3/31/15, Risk Retention (U.I. Reserve) 3/1-3/31/15, General Fund – Steuben Trust 3/1-3/31/15, Payroll Account 3/1-3/31/15, Special Aid Account 3/1-3/31/15, Agency Account 3/1-3/31/15, School Lunch Fund 3/1-3/31/15.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE WARRANTS: Motion made by Dean McKnight, seconded by Amy Werner - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the following Warrant Reports as submitted: General Fund #9, Federal Fund #9, Capital Fund HRNV #9, School Lunch Fund #9.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Pat Johnson, seconded by Dean McKnight- BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the consent agenda items as follows:

1. Approve Second Reading/Adoption of the following Board of Education Policies as presented: Policy #1210 – Board of Education Members: Nomination and Election, Policy #1530 – Legal Qualifications of Voters at School District Meetings, Policy #1650 – Submission of Questions and Propositions at the Annual Meeting and Election and Special District Meetings, Policy #5260 – Use of School District Trademarks and Service Marks, Policy #5511 – Maintenance of Fund Balance, Policy #5672 – Information Security Breach and Notification, Policy #7130 – Entitlement to Attend-Age and Residency, Policy #7320 – Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs and Other Substances (Students), Policy #7530 – Child Abuse and Maltreatment, Policy #6122 – Employee Grievances, Policy #8130 – Equal Educational Opportunities, Policy #6120 – Equal Employment Opportunity, Policy #3420 – Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment in the School District, Policy #6121 – Sexual Harassment of District Personnel, Policy #7551 – Sexual Harassment of Students.

2. Approve CSE Recommendations as submitted.
3. Set the last day of student attendance for grades K-6 to be Wednesday, June 24, 2015. Students in grades K-6 will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m. on June 23 and 24. Grades 7-12 last full day of attendance is June 15, 2015.
4. Approve volunteers for 2014-15 school year: Brooke Bradt of Almond under the supervision of Megan McKeown (varsity softball), Jim Schneider of Belmont under the supervision of Megan McKeown & Jake Bannerman (varsity softball & modified baseball).
5. Approve transportation requests to non-public schools for the 2015-16 school year as submitted from the following families: Noelle Chamberlain to Houghton Academy; Joe Winegerd, Abe Miller, Emanuel Miller, Joseph Miller, Harvey Hostetler, David Hostetler, Harvey Raber, Andy Raber, Andy Miller, Atlee Wengerd to the Amish Carson School (total of 26 students) and Samuel Yoder, Joe Yoder, Atlee Wengerd, Andy Yoder, Chris Slalbaugh, Mose Byler, Noah Miller, Yost Miller, Jacob Wengerd to the Amish Peavy School (total of 25 students).
6. Approve to close school on Friday, May 22, 2015 due to excess snow days.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE GVEA TEACHER'S CONTRACT: Motion made by Josh Shannon, seconded by Fred Grusendorf - BE IT RESOLVED that the funding and ratification of a five (5) year contract between the Genesee Valley Central School District and the Genesee Valley Educator's Association for the period of July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2020. The Superintendent of Schools shall have the authority on behalf of the Board of Education to acknowledge the agreement accordingly.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE SUBSTITUTES: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Amy Werner, seconded by Pat Johnson- BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approve the following substitutes for the 2014-15 school year:

- Cara Sekoll of Scio as substitute teacher aide in the areas of teacher aide and clerical, pending fingerprint clearance.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

CREATE TEACHER POSITIONS: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Amy Werner, seconded by Josh Shannon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves to create the following teacher positions beginning the 2015-16 school year, pending budget approval by voters:

- Science Teacher – 1.0 FTE
- Instrumental Music Teacher - .50 FTE

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPOINT STAGE SET CO-ADVISOR: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Pat Johnson, seconded by Dean McKnight - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints **Lynn Kunz** as Stage Set Co-Advisor, pay shall be shared with M. VanDyke, for the 2014-15 school year.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

CREATE SUMMER SCHOOL POSITIONS: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Dean McKnight, seconded by Josh Shannon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School creates the following summer school positions for Summer School 2015 – July 6-August 14, 2015: 2 Special Education Teachers, 3 Teacher Aides, 1 Speech Language Teacher, 1 Bus Monitor, 1 Bus Driver, 1 Credit Recover Monitor. Hours will be determined based on need.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

GRANT TENURE: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Dean McKnight, seconded by Josh Shannon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School grants tenure to **Heidi Stroud** in the School Psychologist tenure area effective August 31, 2015. Ms. Stroud is provisionally certified in the School Psychologist tenure area.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

GRANT TENURE: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Pat Johnson, seconded by Amy Werner - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School grants tenure to **Jean Vallance** in the Special Education tenure area effective June 30, 2015. Mrs. Vallance is permanently certified in the Special Education tenure area.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE REVISIONS TO SUPERINTENDENT’S CONTRACT: Motion made by Josh Shannon, seconded by Patrick Johnson - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the Superintendent’s Contract revisions for Dr. Brian Schmitt’s as presented.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE PERFORMANCE BONUS: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Dean McKnight, seconded by Amy Werner - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves a performance bonus for **Linda Warner** in the amount of \$2,500. This is a one-time bonus / stipend.
VOTE: Yes 5, No 0, Abs. 1 (Fred Grusendorf) Motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION:

- Upcoming Board Meetings:
 - Tuesday, April 21, 2015 – Regular Board of Education Meeting at 5:30 p.m. (Adopt BOCES & GVCS Budgets)
 - Monday, May 11, 2015 – Budget Hearing and Regular Board of Education Meeting at **7:00 p.m.**
- Information / Discussion:
 - Discussion – Reminder, Board of Education Retreat Dates are Thursday, July 9 and Friday, July 10. Please let Penny Miller know if you plan to attend so that final room reservations can be confirmed.
 - Discussion - Reorganizational Board meeting – Wednesday, July 1 or Tuesday, July 7? Board of Education Meeting Dates for 2015-16 – if schedule is acceptable, a motion will be on the April 21 Board agenda.
 - Informational – Thank you card from Richard & Pamela Haywood
 - Informational – Congratulations letter to Dr. Brian Schmitt for being selected to receive the Western New York Educational Service Council 2015 Award for Excellence in the category of Superintendent. Please let Penny Miller know if you plan to attend the Awards for Excellence Dinner on Thursday, April 30 at 5:30 p.m. at Salvatore’s Italian Gardens, Depew, NY. Reservations due 4/22/15.
 - Informational – Congratulations letter to Ms. Rhiannon Babbitt, Art Teacher, for being selected to receive the Western New York Educational Service Council 2015 Award for Excellence in the category of Teaching.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Dean McKnight, seconded by Fred Grusendorf – BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School suspends the regular order of business at 6:30 p.m. to enter into executive session for the purpose of personnel discussion.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

RESUME REGULAR BUSINESS: Motion made by Josh Shannon, seconded by Dean McKnight – BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School resumes the regular order of business at 7:01 p.m.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

TABLE MOTION: Motion made by Dean McKnight, seconded by Fred Grusendorf – BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School tables the following motion.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

***APPROVE MEMO OF AGREEMENT:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by _____, seconded by _____ - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the Memorandum of Agreement with Sonya Shannon, Home & Careers Teacher (GVEA) to extend her probationary period by one year until June 30, 2018.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.*

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Josh Shannon, seconded by Amy Werner - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School adjourns the regular meeting at 7:02 p.m.
VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Penny L. Miller
District Clerk